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## **MOTION**

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We MOVE that the Administration and the Cincinnati Police Department work to implement "Internet Transaction Safe Zones" in the lobbies of our Police District stations, including appropriate signage and information on the City's website, etc. These safe zones should be available for buyers and sellers of internet transactions to meet safely to trade items, providing a well lit and safer location, thereby reducing opportunities for crime and other illicit activity related to these sales.

Councilmember Chris Seelbach

**STATEMENT** 

Many police departments across the country have implemented some form of a Safe Zone in their facilities. These locations greatly reduce the risks associated with online sales and transfers of items on websites such as Craigslist. It is understood that this action will not eliminate all risk, but by allowing individuals to exchange legally purchased items in a safe location we work to reduce and dissuade criminals from using such services to take advantage of Cincinnatians. Over 200 law enforcement departments have adopted similar plans including Miami-Dade, FL, Jacksonville, FL, and Fort Collins, CO.